

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-20. (Canceled)

21. (Previously presented) A brazed condenser for an air conditioner comprising:

a block of tubes and fins,

two collecting tubes between which said block is arranged, said collecting tubes comprising partitions,

a tube-shaped collector which is mounted laterally with respect to one of the collecting tubes, two connection openings disposed between said tube-shaped collector and the one of the collecting tubes,

tack-weld seams by which said one of the collecting tubes is connected with the tube-shaped collector,

a cartridge acting as a filter screen contained in the tube-shaped collector, and

a sealing ring provided between the two connection openings.

22. (Previously presented) A brazed condenser according to Claim 21, wherein the tack weld seams are TIG seams or laser weld seams.

23. (Previously presented) A brazed condenser according to Claim 21, wherein contact between said one of the collecting tubes and the tube-shaped collector is provided by at least one deformation in said one of the collecting tubes.

24. (Previously presented) A brazed condenser according to Claim 23, wherein the deformation is a recess.

25. (Previously presented) A brazed condenser according to Claim 24, including an air gap along most of the length of said one of the collecting tubes between said one of the collecting tubes and the tube-shaped collector.

26. (Previously presented) A brazed condenser according to Claim 23, wherein said deformation is rounded to define a contact surface providing said contact between said one of the collecting tubes and the tube-shaped collector.

27. (Previously presented) A brazed condenser according to Claim 23, wherein the connection openings are provided at the deformation.

28. (Previously presented) A brazed condenser according to Claim 22, wherein contact between said one of the collecting tubes and the tube-shaped collector is provided with at least one deformation in said one of the collecting tubes.

29. (Previously presented) A brazed condenser according to Claim 24, wherein the connection openings are provided at the deformation.

30. (Previously presented) A brazed condenser according to Claim 25, wherein the connection openings are provided at the deformation.

31. (Previously presented) A brazed condenser according to Claim 21, including an insulating air gap left along said one of the collecting tubes and the tube-shaped collector.